(c) if so, what was Government's reaction thereto; and

(d) what action is being taken by Govemment against such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) and (b) On June 7, and again on June 16, unidentified individuals blocked the passage Of the car driven by Shri D. P. Srivastava, Consul in the Consulate General of India, Karachi. They tried to smash the window screen and, pointing a pistol, attempted to open the door of the car.

(c) The Government have lodged strong protests over these incidents with the Government of Pakistan- We have also demanded that those responsible for the attempted attack on Consul Srivastava be brought to book.

(d) Government have reminded the Government of Pakistan of their obliga tions to ensure strict compliance by their authorities of the relevant interna tional convention's regarding diplomatic privilages and immunities,

Vint of. a High Level U.S. Delegation

193. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHAND-RAKANT BHAND ARE: SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL;

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high-level US delegation visited new Delhi in June this year to discuss a proposal to establish a Nuclear-weapon free zone in South Asia and other issue;

(b) if so, what was the precise proposal mooted by the delegation; and

(c) what was the outcome of the talks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE JN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L- BHATIA): (a) and (b) A U.S. delegation, led by Deputy Assistant Stcretary of State Ms. Teresita Schaflfer, visited New Delhi for discussions, on issues concerning non-proliferation and disarmament. The discussions covered both global trends and regional issues, including US-Russia arms, control agreements, developments in West Asia, Latin America South Africa and the Korean peninsula, ongoing disarmament negotiations relating to chemical weapons, India's security concerns in the context of the changing blobal environment, and Confidence Building Measures between India and neighbouring countries.

(c) The talks offered an opportunity for exchange of views in detail on specific issues to understand each other concerns better and explore areas where the perceptions of the two countries converge. This is part of an ongoing dialogue-

Outcome of the President visit *to* China

194. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH;

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the net outcome of the recent visit of the President of India to China; and

(b) what will be its impact on the solution of the border dispute between the two countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA); (a) The President Shri R. Venkataraman paid a state visit to China from May 18 to 23,1992 at the invitation of President Yang Shang-kun of China. In Beijing the President heM cordial discussions with President Yang Shangkun, Mr. Jiang Zemin, General Secretary of the Communist Party of China and Premier Li Peng. The President's discussions with the Chinese leaders took place in an atmosphere of friendship and mutual understanding and covered a wide range of issues of bilateral, regional and gjobal interest- The visit is an important milestone in our evolving high-level political dialogue with China. It has enabled India